

19-653 Louisiana School for the Deaf

The Louisiana School for the Deaf is mandated by the Legislature of Louisiana to provide educational services to children who are hearing impaired and reside in the State of Louisiana and whose hearing loss is such as to preclude their making normal progress in regular classrooms of the public schools.

The mission of the Louisiana School for the Deaf is to provide quality educational programs, in a nurturing environment, for children of this state who are deaf or hard of hearing; and to prepare students, for a diverse and changing society, to maximize their potential; and in so doing, to foster a challenging, rewarding workplace.

The goals of LSD are:

1. Provide specialized educational services germane to the disability of deafness inclusive of language acquisition, communication skills development, and maximum use of residual hearing.
2. Provide students with a comprehensive educational program which includes an educational program ranging from preschool to 12th grade, extra-curricular activities, social education programs, athletics, vocational education, and supportive services comparable to that of educational opportunities generally afforded to children who are able to hear.
3. Provide students with vocational education/training as well as transitional/post-graduate services which will enable the student who is deaf to make a choice in both a vocation and a path for post secondary training, and to develop marketable skills for employment.
4. Provide the community with a better awareness of deafness and its consequences.

LSD has three programs: Administration/Support Services Program, Instructional Services Program, and the Residential Services Program.

LSD also includes an Auxiliary Account - The Student Snack Bar is the primary function of this account.

The Louisiana School for the Deaf (LSD), located on 115 acres of land in Baton Rouge, provides residential elementary and secondary educational services to children who are hearing-impaired and whose hearing loss is such as to preclude their making normal progress in the regular public school system. The school operates under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and is managed by a superintendent. There are 22 buildings providing educational facilities for a preparatory/elementary school, a junior-senior high school, physical education, vocational and special needs programs, separate dormitory buildings for preparatory, elementary, secondary age students and special needs students, learning resource center, and various physical plant support and administrative buildings.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$11,451,758	\$12,189,884	\$12,189,884	\$13,325,320	\$12,822,108	\$632,224
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	904,927	889,007	923,029	588,488	659,572	(263,457)
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	61,374	84,014	84,014	84,014	84,014	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	63,750	63,750
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$12,418,059	\$13,162,905	\$13,196,927	\$13,997,822	\$13,629,444	\$432,517
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration/Support Services	\$3,252,768	\$3,499,623	\$3,499,623	\$3,721,738	\$3,546,338	\$46,715
Instructional Services	6,525,584	6,853,841	6,887,863	7,404,416	7,191,302	303,439
Residential Services	2,635,591	2,794,441	2,794,441	2,856,668	2,876,804	82,363
Auxiliary Account	4,116	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$12,418,059	\$13,162,905	\$13,196,927	\$13,997,822	\$13,629,444	\$432,517
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	164	164	165	192	185	20
Unclassified	140	140	139	140	139	0
TOTAL	304	304	304	332	324	20

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$1,989,471 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2000-2001 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2000-2001 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and/or the Teachers' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$585,209
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	10,092
Total	\$595,301